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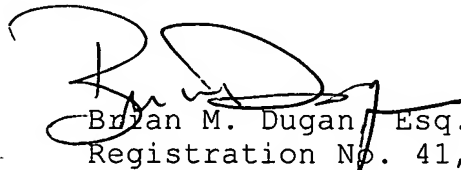
In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97,
applicants wish to call the attention of the Examiner to the
following references:

U.S. Patent No. 5,085,887, Adams et al.
U.S. Patent No. 5,421,957, Carlson et al.
U.S. Patent No. 6,019,839, Achutharaman et al.
U.S. Patent No. 6,093,252, Wengert et al.
U.S. Patent No. 6,099,697, Hausmann
U.S. Patent No. 6,286,451 B1, Ishikawa et al.
U.S. Patent No. 6,326,597 B1, Lubomirsky et al.
U.S. Patent No. 6,383,330 B1, Raaijmakers
U.S. Patent No. 6,390,019 B1, Grimbergen et al.

These references are also listed on the accompanying Information Disclosure Statement (Form PTO-1449) and copies are enclosed.

Consideration of the foregoing in relation to this patent application is respectfully requested.

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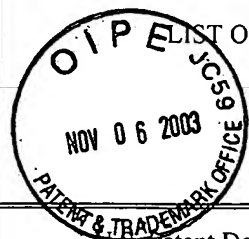
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